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FOR AFR/CWA PASS LOUIS BERGER INC. EAST ORANGE, NJ: FROM
F. NELSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJECT: NELSON/BERGER

REFS: (A) BERGER TELEX NO 489 DATED JULY 20, 1973 TO NELSON
(B) KINSHASA 5879

1. ACCIDENT AND INJURY TO LEG AND ANKLE REQUIRING CAST RESULTING FROM THEFT APRIL 25 FOLLOWED BY A CASE OF MUMPS (MRS. NELSON) ON JUNE 4TH AND AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT IN FRONT OF OFFICE DES ROUTES JULY 4 RESULTING IN INJURIES TO BOTH OF MY LEGS AND FRACTURED CARTILAGES TO MRS. NELSON RESTRICTED ACTIVITY AS ORDERED BY DRS. F. JOHNSON, MONCLUS, C. JOHNSON DAVID AND CLOSE. WHAT MEDICAL CERTIFICATES DO YOU REQUIRE ADVISE.

2. IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO RENT A SAFE AND SECURE APARTMENT IN KINSHASA AND IMPOSSIBLE TO GET LOGISTICAL SUPPORT. DURING THIS PERIOD WE HAD ABSOLUTELY NO ASSISTANCE DOMESTIC OR OTHERWISE WITH NO INQUIRIES AS TO WHAT ASSISTANCE MIGHT BE NEEDED. DURING THIS PERIOD IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO LEAVE MRS. NELSON UNATTENDED AS IN THE CASE OF MUMPS ABSOLUTE REST NEEDED AND IN THE CASE OF FRACTURED CARTILAGES ASSISTANCE NEEDED TO WALK AND GET UP AND DOWN.

3. THESE ARE THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR OF USAID DATED JULY 16 AND SIGNED BY MINISTER TERMINATING

THE CONTRACT EFFECTIVE FIFTEEN CALENDAR DAYS AFTER JULY 20,
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE NINE PARAGRAPH B.

4. TERMINATION ORIGINATED WITH GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE THEREFORE PAYMENTS RELATIVE TO BERGER COMMITMENTS ARE REIMBURSABLE BY THE GOVERNMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM SALARY JULY WILL BE PAID IN NORMAL MANNER.

5. IT IS HIGHLY IRREGULAR NOT TO HAVE RECEIVED BILL OF LADING FOR SHIPMENT ORIGINATING MAY 21 INQUIRY MADE BY CABLE JUNE 20 AND CONFIRMED BY LETTER JOHNSTON TERMINAL VANCOUVER NO ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OR EITHER CABLE OR REGISTERED LETTER.

6. IN VIEW OF TOTAL LACK OF SUPPORT FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT AID LOAN 660-H-012 PROJECT OFFICER AND KNOWN DIFFICULTIES IN COMMUNICATING ONCE I HAVE DEPARTED KINSHASA, REQUEST YOU ADVISE BY TELEX HOW I SHOULD PROCEED WITH:

A. TRANSPORTATION OF EFFECTS ON HAND

B. TRACING AND REFORWARDING OF EFFECTS ARRIVING BY SEA REFER
YOUR TELEX 345PM MAY 14

C. PERSONAL TRANSPORTATION. YOUR TELEX 315PM JULY 20 MENTIONS ONLY PERSONAL TRANSPORTATION. PLEASE ADVISE WHO PAYS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF EFFECTS WHEN IT WILL BE PAID FOR AND WHO WILL ACT AS YOUR AGENT HERE IN THIS MATTER. (-:97,5 5- / SITUATION WILL NOT BE RETURNING BRITISH COLUMBIA PLEASE ADVISE SABENA TO EXCHANGE TICKETS ALLOWING NEW DESTINATION.

7. DEPARTURE FROM HERE WILL BE AS SOON AS INFORMATION ON SHIPMENT ENROUTE RECEIVED, ARRANGEMENTS FOR JW SHIPMENT CONFIRMED BY YOU AND DOCTOR ALLOWS MRS. NELSON TO TRAVEL, AND SABENA ADVISES NEW DESTINATION POSSIBLE. ALL OF THESE EXPENSES ARE PAYABLE TO YOU BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE AND I HAVE NO INTENTION OF SUFFERING FURTHER PHYSICAL INCONVENIENCE AS WELL AS FINANCIAL LOSSES THROUGH INCOMPLETE VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS. I AM AT LEAST ENTITLED TO THESE IN WRITING STATING YOUR LIABILITY. THIS APPLIES TO TERMINATION ADVISE DO YOU MEAN CANCELLING REMAINDER OF MY CONTRACT NINE MONTHS AND IF SO DO YOU INTEND TO CLAIM AS REIMBURSABLE EXPENSE.

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